

DIVISION OF CUSTOMER SERVICES  
CENTER FOR PROFESSIONAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS  
RHODE ISLAND STATE BOARD OF LICENSED MASSAGE THERAPISTS

3 CAPITOL HILL  
CONFERENCE ROOM 104  
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Tuesday, September 20, 2016  
8:49 a.m.

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Catherine Davis  
John Balletto, Chair  
Lynn Garvey

BOARD MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Michelle Russo

STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Alana Rodriguez, Board Manager

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

None

1. Establishment of a quorum

A meeting of the Rhode Island State Board of Licensed Massage Therapists was held on Tuesday, September 20, 2016 at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Conference Room 104, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. A quorum was established and the Open Session meeting was called to order at 8:49 a.m. on a motion by Catherine Davis and seconded by Lynn Garvey. Motion carried.

2. Presentation of the August 24, 2016 Open Session Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Catherine Davis and seconded by John Balletto to accept the Open Session minutes of August 24, 2016. The Board voted unanimously to approve the Open Session minutes as presented. Motion carried.

3. Board Manager Report

a. Licensure Application

Alana Rodriguez informed the board the licensure application has been updated to reflect the Federation State Massage Therapy Board (FSMTB) MBLEx examination.

4. Old Business

a. Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards (FSMTB)  
2016 Proposed Resolutions

The board reviewed and voted on the five FSMTB proposed resolutions from the states of Georgia, Indiana and New Jersey. The board motioned to pass one out of five proposed resolutions. The board's vote will be represented by John Balletto at the FSMTB annual meeting October 8, 2016 in Cleveland, Ohio.

b. Continuing Education Requirements

The board continued to discuss and review continuing education requirements. This topic will require further discussion and will be presented at the next scheduled board meeting.

c. Rhode Island Massage Therapy Convention

The board reviewed and discussed the informational forms that will be available to convention attendees at the RI Massage Therapy Convention October 21-23, 2016.

5. Motion to adjourn to Closed Session

Motion was made by Catherine Davis and seconded by Lynn Garvey to adjourn to Closed Session at 10:46 a.m. Motion carried. Pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(1) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for the purpose of discussing job performance, character, physical or mental health of applicants for licensure. Said individuals have been notified in advance by writing that they may request that the discussion be held at an open meeting. Also, pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(4) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for investigatory proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct.

6. Motion to return to Open Session

Motion was made by John Balletto and seconded by Catherine Davis at 10:49 a.m. to re-open the Open Session and to seal the Minutes of the Closed Session pursuant to Sections 42-46-4, 42-46-5 and 42-46-7 of the Rhode Island General Laws. Motion carried.

7. Adjournment

The next Rhode Island State Board of Licensed Massage Therapists meeting will be held Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Conference Room 104, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. Motion was made by Lynn Garvey and seconded by Catherine Davis to adjourn at 10:51 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alana Rodriguez", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Alana Rodriguez  
Board Manager  
Center for Professional Boards and Commissions